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REPLY AND AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated March 15, 2004 and further to the request for continued examination filed on August 16, 2004, the Applicant submits the following Amendments and Remarks. The period for responding to the Office Action dated March 15, 2004 is extending to September 15, 2004 by the accompanying petition for an extension of time. Please note that a two month extension of time was petitioned and paid for at the time of filing the request for continued examination. Accordingly, the accompanying petition for extension of time petitions and provides payment for a third month extension of time.

The Applicant does not believe that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and

any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-1283.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.